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SUBJECT: BULGARIA TO FOLLOW EU POSITION ON ARREST AND  
ARRAIGNMENT OF SYRIAN DEMOCRACY ACTIVISTS

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Classified By: Political Counselor James Bigus for reasons 1.4 (b) and  
(d).

PolOff delivered reftel demarche to Ministry of Foreign  
Affairs Human Rights Expert, Christina Yotova on Feb. 11 and  
discussed it again on Feb. 15th. Yotova promised to deliver  
the U.S. position to her superiors and told PolOff that  
Bulgaria will follow the EU position on this issue. She said  
that if the EU decided to make a public statement, Bulgaria  
would react favorably to this decision.  
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